



CITY OF LODI COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

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AGENDA TITLE: Approve plans and specifications and authorize advertisement for bids for playground improvements at Blakely Park, 1050 S. Stockton Street

MEETING DATE: April 5, 2006

PREPARED BY Parks and Recreation Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council approves plans and specifications and authorize advertisement for bids for playground improvements at Blakely Park, 1050 S. Stockton Street.


BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The project was part of the Parks and Recreation Department 2004 Community Development Block Grant program request. The project was presented and approved by City Council at their regular meeting on March 3, 2004.

The Blakely Park playground improvements consist of the removal and disposal of the existing playground equipment, fibar surfacing material, concrete walkways, picnic area, and concrete curbing. The new playground location will be located closer towards Poplar Street to accommodate the proposed Community Partnership Building which is currently in a conceptual phase. The playground improvement work includes the installation of new concrete walkways, new handicap accessible playground equipment, new seamless poured-in-place safety rubber material, retro-fit work to the existing irrigation system, new park benches and trash receptacles and new trees. Plans and specifications are on file in the Parks and Recreation office.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no direct impact to the Parks and Recreation Department budget for the Blakely Park playground improvements. Community Development Block Grant funds and the Lodi Soroptirnist donations will be supporting the improvements of this project in its entirety.

When CDBG funds were first reallocated to cover the expanded scope of this project, it was thought that the removal/replacement of the restroom facilities was to be part of the project. After the bid process has been completed, any surplus funding allocated to this project will be reallocated to other projects for use.


APPROVED


Blair King, City Manager

FUNDING:	Engineer's Estimate: (includes 10% contingency)	\$211,166.45
	04-01 'Eastside Park Playground Projects' – CDBG Funds	\$266,200.00
	Lodi Soroptimist Donations:	\$8,750.00



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